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Re:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/443,712 for METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR COMMUNICATING SIGNALING SYSTEM 7 (\$\$7) USER PART MESSAGES AMONG SS7 SIGNALING POINTS (SPS) AND INTERNET PROTOCOL (IP) NODES USING SIGNAL TRANSFER

POINTS (STPs)

Our File No. 1322/8

Sir:

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In re application of:

Sprague et al.

Application No.: 09/443,712

Group No.: 2697

Examiner: Tsegaye, Saba

Filed: 11/19/1999

METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR COMMUNICATING SIGNALING SYSTEM 7 (SS7) USER PART MESSAGES AMONG SS7 SIGNALING POINTS (SP8) AND INTERNET PROTOCOL

(IP) NODES USING SIGNAL TRANSFER POINTS (STPs)

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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

#### **STATUS**

Applicant is other than a small entity.

#### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for three months:

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(STPs)

<u>AMENDMENT C</u>

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated December 29, 2004, having a term that expired on March 29, 2005. A petition for a 3-month Extension of Time extending the deadline for responding to the Official Action up to and including June 29, 2005 is attached hereto. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

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